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## LAWN MAINTENANCE CALENDAR - PENINSULA AREA 2001-2002 Researched and Recommended Bermuda & Zoysia Grass

(Warm Season Grasses) Bermuda & Zoysia

Date October 1	Activity OVERSEED. Bermudagrass with annual ryegrass, if desired, at 5 lbs. per 1,000 sq. ft. Zoysia does not lend itself to overseeding. (Obtain a soil test every three years – pub 425-125).
November 15 – December 15	<b>WINTER WEED CONTROL.</b> Important to control chickweed, dandelion, henbit, buttercut, and many other annuals. Use combination of 2,4-D and Dicamba or MCPP. Read label closely for use on Zoysiagrass.
January 15 – March 1	<b>CRABGRASS CONTROL.</b> Pre-emergence crabgrass control – avoid Siduron (Tupersan, Trey). Use Benefin, Bensulide, Oxadiazon or DCPA. If DCPA is used apply when forsythia blooms and again at one-half rate eight weeks after.
February 15 – March 15	<b>2ND ANNUAL WINTER WEED INSPECTION AND CONTROL</b> , if necessary. 2, 4-D and Dicamba herbicide will control most wide leaf weeds.
March 1 – April 1	$\label{eq:Fertilize} \begin{array}{l} \underline{\text{Fertilize}} \text{ - Apply a complete fertilizer in sufficient amount to provide 1 $\frac{1}{2}$} \\ \text{lbs. each of N(nitrogen), P}_2\text{O}_5 \text{ (phosphate), and K}_2\text{O (potash).} \end{array}$
	Example: 15 lbs. of 10-10-10 or 12 lbs. of 8-8-8 per 1,000 sq. ft. or the equivalent of another analysis.
	See other programs in Extension Publication 452-238 (Soil Test Notes) or 430-011 (Lawn Fertilization in Virginia).

## 2001-2002 Recommended Bermudagrass Varieties

Midfield, Midiron, Midlawn, Quickstand, Tifgreen#, Tifway#, Tifway II#, Tufcote and Vamont

## 2001-2002 Recommended Zoysiagrass Varieties

Emerald# and Meyer

May 1 – June 1

**OVERSEEDING.** 1-2 lbs. of hulled Bermuda on common Bermuda lawns if needed (deadline-July 1). Soil preparation via thatching or raking is necessary for Bermuda establishment.

**FERTILIZE.** Apply equivalent of 1 to 1 ½lbs. of actual nitrogen per 1,000 sq. ft.

EXAMPLE: 10 lbs. of 10-10-10 or 12 lbs. of 8-8-8 per 1000 sq. ft. or the equivalent of other fertilizers. Table 1 in publication 430-011 has other analysis listed.

May 1 – June 1

**WATERING.** Begin deep watering every 7-10 days, if necessary.

**CUTTING HEIGHT.** Approximately 1" throughout season.

**THATCH.** May 20 – June 15. (if needed)

July 1 – August 1 **WEED CONTROL.** Apply a combination of 2,4-D and Dicamba or MCPP herbicide to control annual summer wide leaf weeds, if needed.

**FERTILIZE.** Apply equivalent of 1 to 1 ½bs. of actual nitrogen per 1,000 sq. ft. Omit on Zoysia.

**WATERING.** Continue to deep water every 7-10 days, if weather necessitates. Avoid night watering – turf should "dry off" before night.

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## Other helpful publications available from the Extension Office:

Publication No.	426-609	<b>Selecting Landscape Plants – Ground Covers</b>
	430-009	Lawn Establishment In Virginia
	427-045	Lawn Weed Control
	430-011	Lawn Fertilization
	425-125	Soil Test Box Kit